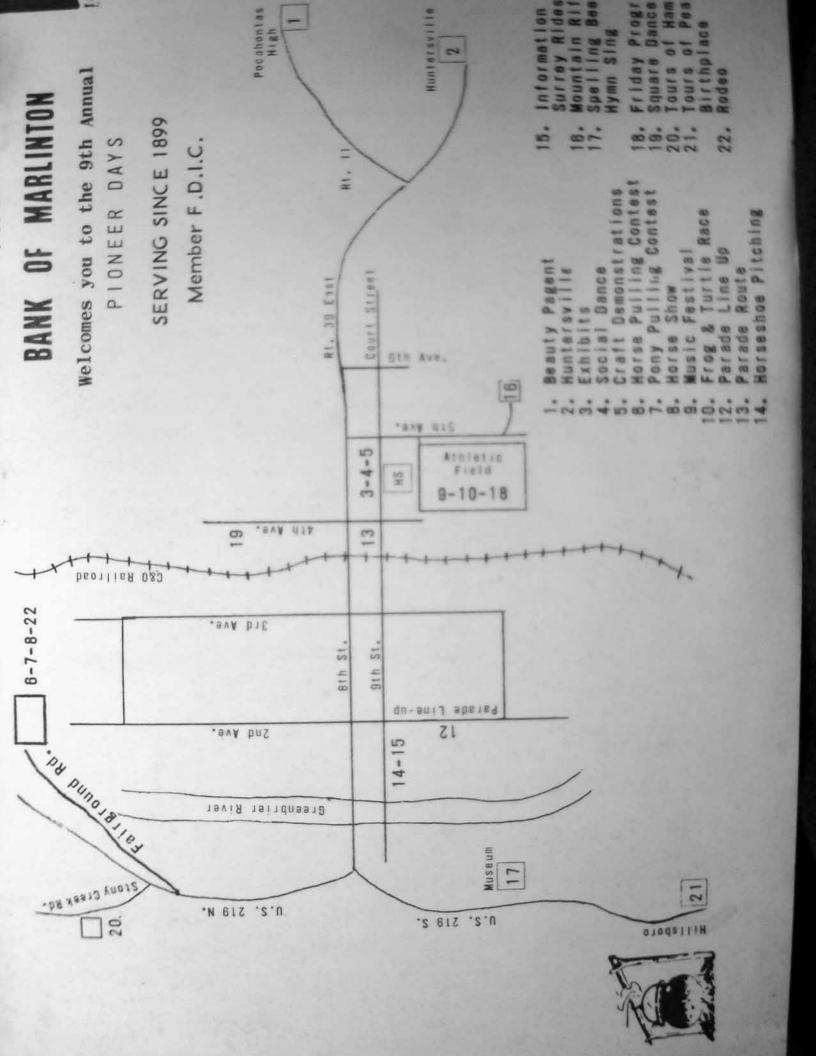
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#### The Museum



The Pocahontas County Historical Society was re-organized in 1961, and in 1962 it acquired its headquarters and museum building from the late Mrs. Frank Hunter. The house was built in 1904 by the Hunters when he was the first cashier of the Bank of Marlinton.

The grounds around the museum consist of approximately two acres lying between US Route 219 (Seneca Trail) and the Greenbrier River. On the right of the Museum are the graves of about forty Confederate soldiers. To the left are the graves of several of the early members of the Price family. An early Pocahontas County log cabin is also located on the grounds.

The Museum was dedicated in 1963 by Pearl Buck, world renowned author who was born in Hillsboro, and the then Governor of West Virginia, W. W. Barron. The library room in the Museum is named in Miss Buck's honor.

The Pioneer Days celebration was begun by the Historical Society in 1967 and has become an annual event. It is intended to be a time for people to honor the pioneers who first settled in this beautiful land that is our heritage, a time to take stock of the good things of life, to be grateful for them, and to enjoy them.

The Pocahontas County Historical Museum is owned by public spirited citizens throughout the county, state, and nation. Inquire at the Museum Shop if interested in membership in the Pocahontas County Historical Society.

#### FOR YOUR INFORMATION

The Pioneer Days Souvenir Badge, cost \$1.00, is required for persons six years of age and older. It entitles holder to all events except the Rodeo, Horse Show, Horse Pulling Contest, Pony Pulling Contest, and Miss Pocahontas Pageant. The badge of \$1.00 will be required for admission to the Friday night program and the Music Contest. There is a charge for the surrey, but the wagon rides are free. The wagons will stop at the Museum, in front of the Presbyterian Church on Main Street, and at the Elementary School. On Saturday the wagons will stop at the Rifle Shooting Contest.



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"Pocahontas" by Mrs. Willard Eskridge

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Helen Kellison, Ruth Taylor, Donna Dunbrack, Dreama Burns, Bobby Jo Sharp, Nora Lou Workman, Eigene Simmens and Doug Dunbrack.





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#### Contestants

1. Genevieve Anne "Jenny" Mitchell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reid Mitchell of Marlinton, Sponsored by the Marlinton Fire Department Auxiliary.

2. Sharon Ann Kellison, daughter of Mrs. Georgia Kellison of Marlinton.

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Marla Dean Chestnut, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Murl Chestnut of Dunmore. Sponsored by the Marlinton Lions Club.

Sherry Lee Wyatt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Wyatt of Frost. Spon-

sored by the Mt. Zion Extension Homemakers Club.

Virginia Lee Cloonan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Cloonan of Marlinton. Sponsored by the Marlinton Jr. Extension Homemakers.

Karen Lynn Kellison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kellison of Mar-

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Susan De Nora Viers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Viers of Buckeye. Sponsored by the Swago Extension Homemakers.

Sara Ann Howard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Howard of Buckeye. Sponsored by the Marlinton Business & Professional Women.

Marzella Hollandsworth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hollandsworth of Marlinton. Sponsored by the Marlinton Woman's Club.

11. Betty Jo Gum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Basil Gum of Green Bank. Sponsored by the Mary Rebekah Lodge 109.



Miss West Virginia 1975

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10:00 a.m. - ?? -- Crafts, food, sold in front of Bank of Marlinton by the Mar-

11:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. -- Wagon rides to and from Pioneer Days activities. 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. -- Surrey rides to and from the Museum at a charge

Noon -- "Ham on Biscuits" at Museum.

Noon -- 7:00 p.m. -- Percussion Rifle Shooting Contest across Knapps Creek from the Board of Education Office. Regulation rules will be strictly enforced. Rifles furnished or bring your own. Practice shooting at .25¢ a shot. There is an entry fee of \$1.00 for the contest, with prizes being awarded on Saturday at 6:30 p.m. at place of contest.

1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. -- Exhibits and Craft Demonstrations at Marlinton Ele-

1:30 p.m. -- Old Time Spelling Bee at the Museum, All ages, Cash prizes, 2:00 p.m. -- Pony Pulling Contest at Fairgrounds.

2:00 p.m. -- Pocahontas County History Contest at Museum, Cash prizes, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. -- Ham Dinner at the Marlinton Methodist Church.

7:00 p.m. -- Frog Hop and Turtle Races on the Marlinton Athletic Field for children ages 6-14, 1st, second, and third prizes will be awarded -- one entry per child. All entries must be in by 6:30 p.m. Four turtles and four frogs will be in each heat until three winners are picked. Sponsored by American Legion and V.F.W. No frog will be smaller than a half a dollar and no larger than a soft ball. All Turtles will be no smaller than a half dollar and no larger than 7 inches head to tail or across the back. All people will be asked to stand back of the wire. Thanks.

6:00 p.m. ---"Flying W. Rodeo" at Pocahontas Horseman's Arena, See page 5. 8:30 p.m. -- "Mementoes of the Rolling Years" staged on the Marlinton Athletic Field (See page 11). Bring a folding chair if possible.



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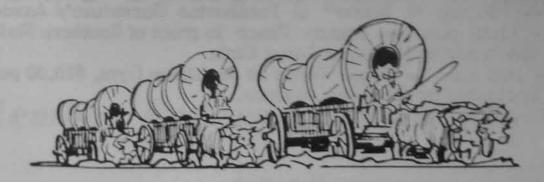
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#### Saturday's Activities

7:00 a.m. - ?? -- Country Breakfast at Edray Community Center.

9:00 a.m. - ?? -- Food sold at Bank of Marlinton by the Marlinton Church of God.

10:00 a.m. -- Snacks and cold drinks sold on Main St. by the Deer Creek Defenders 4-H Club.

10:00 a.m. -- Sandwiches and cold drinks sold at Clothing Shop on 4th Ave. by Brushy Flat 4-H Club.

10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. -- Food sold at First National Bank by Marlinton Jaycees.

10:00 a.m. -- Bake Sale at Museum by Marlinton 4-H Club.

10:00 a.m. -- - "Ham & Biscuits" on Museum grounds.

9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. -- Wagon rides to and from Pioneer Days activities.

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. -- Surrey rides at a charge of \$.50.

9:00 a.m. -- Horsepulling Contest at Fairgrounds.

9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. -- Exhibits and Craft Demonstrations at Marlinton Elementary Gym.

9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. -- Percussion Rifle Contest. See page 10 for details. 12:00 noon -- Dinner at Marlinton Presbyterian Church, Chicken BBQ. 2:00 p.m. -- Parade on Court Street.

4:00 p.m. -- Mountain Music Festival at Athletic Field. Food sold during festival by Marlinton Church of God.

5:00 p.m. -- Horseshoe Pitching Contest at Presbyterian Church.

Crafts

6:00 p.m. -- "Flying W Rodeo" at Pocahontas Horseman's Assoc. Arena.

9:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m. -- Square Dance in front of Southern States Store. Sponsored by Marlinton Lions Club.

9:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m. -- Social Dance at Marlinton Gym. \$10.00 per couple. Sponsored by Marlinton Jaycees.



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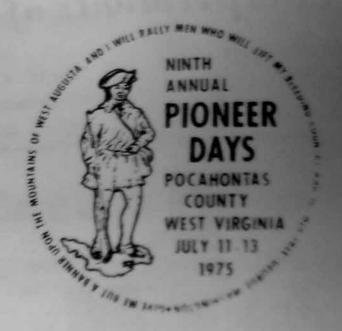


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County, to see the museum restored to the "Gay Nineties" period.

Miss Buck was born here June 26, 1892, the daughter of Absalom Sydenstricker and Caroline Stulting Sydenstricker. Originally from Holland, the Stultings emigrated to Hillsboro in about 1850 and built the house which has now been restored as the author's birthplace museum, Several of the Sydenstrickers, her father's family, served as ministers in Pocahontas and Greenbrier counties. Absalom, her father, spread the Gospel to distant China where Miss Buck spent much of her life. Those experiences in China provided the subject matter for many of her novels, notably "The Good Earth", which won her the Pulitzer Prize in 1932. After winning the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1938, this native daughter of West Virginia became the only woman to have won both of these illustrious awards.

Today, the Buck Museum displays antique furniture belonging to both families plus a wide variety of period pieces added since last year. Among the most unusual pieces are a trundle bed, an original rope bed, the authentic family organ, watchmaker's tools, and carpenter's lathe. An architect's dream built by skillful Dutch craftsmen, the Stulting house has delicate wood-

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Taking pride in the development of this historic and culturally enriching project, many Pocahontas Countians have led the way to advance its programs. The Foundation wishes to thank the following contributors: Miss Julia Louise Price, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Rockefeller IV, Bank of Marlinton, First National Bank in Marlinton, and the Marlinton Woman's Club.

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10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon -- Church of your choice. Noon -- Food sold on Main St. by Deer Creek Defenders 4-H Club. Food also on Museum grounds.

1:00 - 5:00 p.m. -- Wagon and Surrey Rides. Wagons will run until after Hymn Sing.

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. -- Museum Open.

1:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. -- Horse Show at Pocahontas Horseman's Assoc. Arena (old fairgrounds), with many classes, trophies, ribbons and prize money. Food served by Hillsboro Fire Dept.

2:00 p.m. -- Song Service at the Old Log Church. Any choirs and song leaders welcome to participate.

2:00 p.m. -- Ballad Mountain Singing at Museum.

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. -- Historical tour of Marlinton (tours planned hourly). 7:30 p.m. -- Country Hymn Sing at Marlinton Methodist Church, Bring a folding chair if possible.



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13. Novice Class

14. Pop Bottle Race

15. English Horsemanship (open)

16. Flag Race

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#### Weekend Menus

FRIDAY, JULY 11: Bake Sale, 10:00 A.M. Richardson Hardware, sponsored by Methodist Women. 10:00 A. M. to ?? Bank of Marlinton, crafts, sandwiches, cold drinks, sponsored by Marlinton Church of God, 5:00 P.M. Country Ham Dinner, home baked bread, brown beans, slaw - at Marlinton Methodist Church - sponsored by Methodist Women. Ham & Biscuits at

Museum - 12:00 noon to ??

SATURDAY, JULY 12: Country Breakfast, 7 A. M. to ?? Ham, eggs, fried potatoes, hot biscuits, juice & coffee, at Edray Community Center, sponsored by Edray Home Demonstration Club - 9 A. M. to ?? Bank of Marlinton, snacks, sandwiches & cold drinks, sponsored by Marlinton Church of God; 10 A. M., Main Street, snacks & cold drinks, sponsored by Deer Creek Defenders 4-H Club; 10:00 A.M. to ??, cold drinks & sandwiches at the Clothing Shop, 4th Ave., sponsored by Brushy Flat Hunters 4-H Club; 10:00 A. M. to 8:00 P. M. - First National Bank - short order food, sponsored by Marlinton Jaycees; 12:00 noon to ?? - Presbyterian Church - barbecued chicken, baked beans, potato salad, slaw, homemade bread, cupcakes, ice tea, coffee, sponsored by Presbyterian Women. Adults \$3.50, children \$2.50. 2:00 P. M. - snacks, cold drinks & "goodies" to be sold at Mountain Music Contest by Marlinton Church of God. Ham & Biscuits at Museum - Bake Sale - Marlinton 4-H Club - 10:00 A. M. - Museum.

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#### Places Of Historic Interest

The Pearl S. Buck House in Hillsboro will be open this weekend. See page 17 for information about this restoration project. You can reach this house by traveling Route 219 south from Marlinton.

Another historic place you will want to visit is the Hamlin Chapel, known as the Old Log Church. This church was built in 1835 on land donated by Hamilton Duffield near Onoto. The church looks much the same today as then, except the high pulpit was moved out about 1919. The church has been designated as a Methodist Shrine. The Old Log Church can be reached by traveling approximately 1-1/2 miles above Campbelltown on the Stony Creek Road. (See page 14).

The Pocahontas Times Office in Marlinton will be open during the weekend. You will want to be sure to visit this interesting place. This is one of the last handset type papers in the United States.

Tour by wagon of places of historic interest around the Town of Marlinton on Sunday afternoon beginning at Marlinton Presbyterian Church at 2, 3 and 4 p.m.



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Visit the Log Cabin on the Museum grounds. The Marlinton Senior Citizens Group will have crafts on display there.

Many items will be on sale at the Marlinton Elementary Gymnasium during the weekend.

There are limited seating facilities at the Museum, so bring a folding chair, if possible, to the Hymn sing.

Miss Pocahontas will advance on to the Miss West Virginia Pageant, in Parkersburg.

Tours by wagon of places of historic interest around the Town of Marlinton on Sunday afternoon, beginning at the Marlinton Presbyterian Church at 2, 3, and 4 p.m.



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#### Pony Pulling Contest

Pony Pulling Contest at the old Pocahontas Co. Fairgrounds beginning at 2:00 P.M. Friday. Ponies will be broken down into two classes. 48 inches and under, and 48 inches to 54 inches. Cash awards will be awarded in four places. \$40, \$30, \$20, and \$10 in each class.

#### Horse Pulling Contest

Beginning at 9:00 A.M. at the old Pocahontas Fairgrounds 2 miles north of Marlinton. Prizes will be awarded by elimination. Each entry will be awarded a \$10 entry fee, except prize winning teams. Cash prizes as following: 1st place, \$175, 2nd place \$75.00, 3rd place \$50.00, 4th place, \$35.00, 5th place, \$25.00, 6th place, \$15.00 and 7th place \$10.00.

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